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December 19, 1968

Mario & DiBono Plastering Company, Inc.
370 Northern Blvd.
Great Neck, Long Island, New York 11021

Attention: Mr. L. DiBono

Gentlemen:

This is to confirm that the Port Authority Board of Commissioners at its meeting on November 14, 1968, authorized us to enter into a contract with your company for the furnishing and installation of sprayed-on asbestos fibrous material on the bar joists of Towers A and B at the World Trade Center from the 7th to the 110th floors generally, and perimeter header duct, the contract also to include interior column fireproofing generally, as shown on Drawings AA-352, dated February 7, 1967, of which you have copies. It is understood that the material to be applied in the elevator shafts shall withstand 2,000 f.p.m. air velocity and spray fireproofing in the mechanical rooms shall have a sealer applied to its surface.

The price for the above is to be $800,000 lump sum for the sale of materials and $925,000 lump sum for the installation.

It is our intention to enter into such a contract with you upon reaching an agreement on all the additional terms of the contract, a draft of which is being prepared for transmittal to you.

Sincerely,

Guy F. Tozzoli

bcc: Mr. R. Abrahams

RMM:ad

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT PX-502

(Construction)

TITLE NO. 7 - THE WORLD TRADE CENTER - NORTH AND SOUTH TOWER BUILDINGS - SPRAY FIREPROOFING - CONTRACT WTC-113.00

RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee recommend to the Board that the Board authorize the award of Contract WTC-113.00 - Spray Fireproofing, North and South Tower Buildings, The World Trade Center - to Mario and DiBono Plastering Company, Inc., at a price of $1,725,000 and an allowance of $80,000 for extra work and extra materials.

REPORT: Contract WTC-113.00 requires the contractor to spray the structural steel of the North and South Tower Buildings of The World Trade Center with a mixture of asbestos, cement and water, which, when hardened, will provide the necessary fire protection for the structure.

The Board, at its meeting on January 12, 1967, authorized the award of Contract WTC-400.00 - North and South Tower Buildings, Curtain Wall, The World Trade Center - to Aluminum Company of America. Under this contract, Alcoa will provide spray-on fireproofing and plastering to the exterior columns of the North and South Tower Buildings. Alcoa sub-contracted this work to Mario and DiBono Plastering Company, Inc., who performed extensive tests of various methods of providing fireproofing which would meet specifications.

The fireproofing mixture will be applied to the erected steel on each floor and must be completed before any other work on a floor can proceed. In view of this, it was evident that the interior and exterior fireproofing applications would have to be closely coordinated. Staff determined that contract administration problems would be minimized and coordination between the fireproofing work on the interior structural steel and the exterior columns would be facilitated if a single contractor were to perform such work. Therefore, discussions were held with Mario and DiBono on the interior fireproofing work and resulted in the submission of a proposal of $1,725,000, including $925,000 for work and $800,000 for sale.

The Project Estimate for Contract WTC-113.00 is $1,625,000, exclusive of an allowance of 5% for extra work and extra materials.

Mario and DiBono Plastering Company, Inc., is qualified to perform the work under Contract WTC-113.00. In the past, they have provided all interior finish plastering, exterior cement plastering and interior and exterior fireproofing for such projects as the International Arrivals Building at Kennedy International Airport; Madison Square Garden, Two Penn Plaza; Rochdale Village, Jamaica, Long Island, consisting of twenty 14-story buildings; and Co-op City in the Bronx, New York.